IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR

METHOD FOR PREPARATION OF A

POLYOLEFIN FOIL AND ITS UTILIZATION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and substantive examination of the above-referenced patent application, Applicants respectfully request amendment of the application as follows. A clean copy of the claims appears below and a marked-up version is set forth as an Appendix.

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) Method for the preparation of an embossed foil from a mass including non-interlaced polyolefins and optional additives, the method comprising treating said mass with electron beams and achieving a grained foil with a density of approximately 0.7 to 1.2 g/cm³ and deep drawing the grained foil.

 (Amended) Method according to claim 1 wherein an interlacing auxiliary is included in the mass.

4. (Amended) Method according to Claim 3, wherein trimethylpropantriacrylate is selected as interlacing auxiliary.